IRWINDALE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 5050 N. IRWINDALE AVENUE IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA 91706

JANUARY 26, 2022 WEDNESDAY 6:30 P.M.

The Irwindale CITY COUNCIL met in regular session, beginning at the above time and place.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Manuel R. Garcia, H. Manuel Ortiz; Mayor Pro Tem Albert F. Ambriz; Mayor Larry G. Burrola

Absent: Councilmember Mark A. Breceda

Present: William Tam, City Manager; Theresa Olivares, Assistant City Manager; Adrian Guerra, City Attorney; Ty Henshaw, Chief of Police; Arsanious Hanna, Director of Engineering / Building Official; Jeanette Duran, Interim Finance Director / City Treasurer; Marilyn Simpson, Community Development Director; Mary Hull, Human Resources Manager, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Public Services Director; Jeff Wagner, Information Technology Manager; Iris Espino, Assistant to the City Manager; and Laura Nieto, Chief Deputy City Clerk

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam indicated that Item No. 1H would be removed from the agenda for future consideration.

COUNCILMEMBER TRAVEL REPORTS

None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz noted the damage caused by the recent wind storm and thanked staff's leadership and hard work in acting quickly to minimize further damage.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA Councilmember Garcia requested to adjourn the meeting in memory of Alice Perez.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz advised that Supervisor Hilda Solis' office has donated over 250 COVID-19 testing kits, which he will bring to City Hall tomorrow for distribution to the public. He also reported a shooting that occurred at a party on Fraijo Street on Christmas Day and stated that the party continued even after the police had left the area. He felt that the police should have stopped the party, and suggested that a policy be considered giving police authority to shut down parties if loud parties continue even after they warn for parties to end.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Carlos Alvarado.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES /

PROMOTIONS

INTRODUCTION OF BUS DRIVER JUAN MAGANA

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Director Rodriguez provided background information and introduced Juan Magana as the City's new Bus Driver.

PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS / COMMENDATIONS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS OF THE MONTH – DOUBLETREE BY HILTON MONROVIA-PASADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS OF THE MONTH – DOUBLETREE BY HILTON MONROVIA-PASADENA

The presentation was made.

SPONTANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

CARMEN ROMAN Carmen Roman requested that Item No. 1B be pulled for separate

consideration, and suggested that the Councilmember that held the

party on Fraijo near where the gunshot was fired be spoken to.

DENA ZEPEDA Dena Zepeda stated that the problem was not the party; rather, it was

the shooting and drugs. She alleged that the police did not take further

action since the party was held at a Councilmember's house.

LARRY CERVANTES Larry Cervantes attempted to speak on Item No. 1E, but was told to

wait to comment until the item is under consideration by the Council.

LINDA MAREZ Linda Marez stated that the gunshot was not fired from the

Councilmember's property, and suggested that the gossiping stop.

DENA ZEPEDA Dena Zepeda continued her allegations against the Councilmember.

FRED BARBOSA Fred Barbosa compared his parties to those of the Councilmember,

and questioned City Manager Tam's qualifications. He also spoke in favor of hiring Julian Miranda as the new City Manager, and asked for clarification regarding the City Manager's and Assistant City

Manager's pay rates.

LINDA BLOHM

Linda Blohm asked whether the situation involving her mother Maggie Guzman has been acted upon.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ortiz, seconded by Councilmember Garcia, to approve the Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item No. 1C, which was removed for separate consideration. The motion was unanimously approved: Councilmember Breceda absent.

ITEM NO. 1A **MINUTES**

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The following minutes were approved:

- 1) Special meeting held December 8, 2021
- 2) Regular meeting held December 8, 2021

ITEM NO. 1B **WARRANTS** / DEMANDS / PAYROLL

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The warrants / demands / payroll were approved.

ITEM NO. 1C **INVESTMENT** QUARTERLY REPORT INVESTMENT QUARTERLY REPORT (Joint Item for all agencies)

The Investment Quarterly Report for December 31, 2021, was received and filed.

ITEM NO. 1D AWARD FOR CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION FOR THE 2021-2022 RESURFACING PROJECT - PHASE I: P-1034

AWARD FOR CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION FOR THE RESURFACING PROGRAM: RESIDENTIAL 2021-2022 RESURFACING PROJECT - PHASE I; P-1034

1) The City Manager was authorized to enter into an agreement with Hardy & Harper, Inc. in the amount of \$590,000 for the 2021-2022 Resurfacing Program; Residential Resurfacing Project - Phase I; (2) a 20% contingency in the amount of \$118,000 was approved to cover any unforeseeable conditions that may arise during construction; (3) the City Manager was authorized to enter into an agreement with Z & K Consultants in the amount of \$59,968 for construction management, inspection, labor compliance oversight, and geotechnical testing services; (4) a 20% project contingency was approved for construction management in the amount of \$11,994 to cover any unforeseeable conditions that may arise during construction; (5) Resolution No. 2022-06-3255 approving the transfer of \$148,218.66 from the 2020-2021 Resurfacing Project to the 2021-2022 Resurfacing Program Budget was adopted.

ITEM NO. 1F

APPROVE APPROPRIATION OF ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS

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FUNDS

RESOLUTION NO.

2022-05-3254 ADOPTED Resolution No. 2022-05-3254, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPROPRIATING FEDERAL AND STATE ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT,"

was adopted.

ITEM NO. 1G
A RESOLUTION TO
EXTEND THE
EXISTENCE OF A
LOCAL EMERGENCY
REGARDING COVID-19

A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

RESOLUTION NO.

2022-08-3257 ADOPTED

PANDEMIC

Resolution No. 2022-08-3257, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC WITHIN THE CITY OF IRWINDALE PURSUANT TO IRWINDALE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.44," was adopted.

ITEM NO. 1H CALRECYCLE SB 1383 LOCAL GRANT ASSISTANCE

PROGRAM FUNDING

CALRECYCLE SB 1383 LOCAL GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

FUNDING

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-09-3259 ADOPTED Resolution No. 2022-09-3259, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE AUTHORIZING ON ITS BEHALF THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION BY A LEAD AGENCY FOR WHICH THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS IS

ELIGIBLE," was adopted.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEM NO. 1E
REQUEST TO REVIEW
AND CONSIDER
WAIVING PERMIT

REQUEST TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER WAIVING PERMIT FEES

REQUEST TO REVIEW FOR LAWRENCE CERVANTES

FEES FOR LAWRENCE CERVANTES

ASSISTANT CITY
MANAGER OLIVARES

Assistant City Manager Olivares presented the report.

LAWRENCE CERVANTES Lawrence Cervantes spoke in support of the waiver of permit fees and asked for permission to leave the driveway approach as-is.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda and Carmen Roman spoke in favor of granting the waiver of permit fees.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-07-3256

Resolution No. 2022-07-3256, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, APPROVING AN ENCROACHMENT AND

INSPECTION FEE WAIVER REQUEST FOR PROPERTY OWNER LAWRENCE CERVANTES," was adopted, and the request to leave the driveway approach as-is was approved, on the motion of Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, and unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda absent and Mayor Burrola abstained.

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam requested for the Council to consider input from the City Engineer regarding whether it would be permissible to leave the driveway approach as-is, since it must meet all city requirements, as well as ADA requirements.

CITY ATTORNEY GUERRA City Attorney Guerra requested a quick break.

RECESS

At 7:42 p.m., the City Council took a short recess.

RECONVENE

At 7:48 p.m., the City Council reconvened in Open Session.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola stated that, per advice received from the City Attorney, he would recuse himself from this item due to a conflict of interest.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ortiz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, to retract the previous action and reconsider the item. The motion was unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda absent and Mayor Burrola abstaining.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola exited the Council Chambers due to his conflict of interest. Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz resumed the meeting.

DIRECTOR HANNA

Director Hanna cautioned that leaving the driveway as-is may cause liability issues since it does not meet accessibility requirements. He noted that the work was done without a permit, and as such, was not inspected by the city at the time of its construction.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia replied that, in this case, the city should replace the driveway at its own expense in order to meet all necessary requirements. He then made a motion to adopt the aforementioned resolution to approve an encroachment and inspection fee waiver request for property owner Lawrence Cervantes, direct that city staff replace the curb as soon as possible, and reimburse the Cervantes' expenditures in their good-faith attempt to repair the curb.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz stated his desire to second only the portion of the motion that relates to the waiver of fees.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia retracted his motion.

ROSE CERVANTES

Rose Cervantes expressed her appreciation of Councilmember Garcia's suggestion that their costs be reimbursed, and spoke in support of the suggestion.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, to adopt **Resolution No. 2022-07-3256**, that the city replace the curb at its own expense, and that the expenses incurred by the Cervantes' in their attempts to repair the curb be reimbursed. The motion was unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda and Mayor Burrola absent.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola returned to the Council Chambers at 7:56 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM NO. 2A OLIVE PIT MINING AND RECLAMATION PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT

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DIRECTOR HANNA

Director Hanna presented the report and made a PowerPoint presentation.

JEFF CAMERON

Jeff Cameron, representing United Rock, advised that his company has re-engaged with the rail authority in an effort to move plans forward with the construction of a traffic signal. However, in order to proceed, there are certain easements that are required that United Rock is unable to attain, which caused the process to stall in 2019. He stated that United Rock then presented an alternative, only to be told that the alternative was not acceptable. United Rock staff then re-engaged all involved parties to move the process forward, and the plans have been submitted and approved. However, they have yet to secure the necessary easements. He stated that they will again

attempt to work with the rail authority to carve out an acceptable solution.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz expressed his appreciation with Mr. Cameron's efforts. However, he noted that United Rock committed around 2014/15 to construct the traffic signal, and noted that the city has fulfilled its responsibilities for its construction.

JEFF CAMERON

Mr. Cameron stated that the development agreement specifies that United Rock has twelve months to construct the signal once all necessary approvals have been obtained. However, at this point, those approvals have not been granted. He added that, at the time of United Rock's commitment, it was understood that the signal would cost \$250,000, but that estimate has since ballooned to \$365,000. Additionally, the rail improvements that are being requested put the total costs at over \$2 million.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz noted that the costs of the project will continue to increase as time goes by, to which Mr. Cameron indicated that United Rock staff has re-engaged with the project designer and the rail authority in an effort to move the process forward.

Councilmember Ortiz also noted that the amendment documentation allowed for the increase of daily truck trips from 262 to 392, and asked whether the environmental impact report was revisited due to this change, to which Director Hanna quoted directly from the amendment to the final environmental impact report showing that the increased number of truck trips was authorized.

Councilmember Ortiz also asked whether the public was notified regarding the proposed amendment to the final environmental impact report, to which Director Hanna stated that he believed that it was duly noticed. Councilmember Ortiz stated his belief that residents were note made aware of an increase of truck traffic and the resulting increase of truck emissions. He requested that the agreement be modified to restrict the hours of operation at the site on Saturdays, to which Mr. Cameron advised that his company has listened to the Council's concerns from its meeting in November. As a result, United Rock has temporarily suspended running on the last Saturday of the month, based on market demand. He added that the company is also making considerations to curtail production whenever it can.

Councilmember Ortiz reiterated the concerns from his constituents regarding truck emissions and expressed his appreciation for United Rock's efforts in mitigating pollutants and constructing the traffic signal.

JEFF CAMERON

Jeff Cameron stated that United Rock will continue looking for solutions and will work to secure approvals so the signal could be constructed.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz also disputed the way that average annual tonnage is calculated and noted that United Rock exceeded the average of 1.5 million tons of materials by around 300,000 to 400,000 pounds, which includes increased truck traffic and truck emissions.

DIRECTOR HANNA

Director Hanna discussed the definition of "average" as explained by the city's legal counsel.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia requested that Director Hanna work with the appropriate parties to see what the city can do to secure the necessary easements, to which Director Hanna advised that staff is already coordinating with designated personnel.

MAYOR BURROLA

Responding to a question by Mayor Burrola, Mr. Cameron advised that the plans for the traffic signal have been approved, though the permits have not been secured. Once all the permits and easements have been secured, United Rock will move to complete the traffic signal.

Mayor Burrola also asked about the definition of "average", to which Mr. Cameron indicated that United Rock hauls an average of 1.5 million tons per year, though Director Hanna has suggested meeting with staff at United Rock to clarify the term. He affirmed that United Rock is operating under the provisions and intent of the agreement, and is not attempting to find a way to curtail the system.

Mayor Burrola requested that a tonnage report be prepared and presented to the Council every six months, to which Mr. Cameron advised that United Rock provides a monthly update on all tonnage numbers, and clarified that United Rock is attempting to yearly tonnage numbers to ensure that they are staying within the 1.5 million ton average.

Mayor Burrola reiterated that he would like a report prepared every six months, to which Mr. Cameron advised that staff prepares a quarterly mining report that is submitted to the Reclamation Authority at its meetings.

Mayor Burrola then requested quarterly reports, to which Director Hanna indicated that reports are submitted to the Reclamation Authority every quarter. He also provided brief background information on how the 1.5 million ton average was determined, but stated that, should the Council provide new direction, he would be happy to work with the city's legal counsel as well as all involved agencies to come to an amicable solution.

CITY ATTORNEY GUERRA

City Attorney Guerra advised that the city and United Rock Products entered into an amendment to the Development Agreement in 2017.

Prior to that, the Council considered an addendum to the CEQA document, which was presumably available to the public and the Council as part of the approval process.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda spoke on her prior complaints about dust issues and suggested that the Council tour the premises, as she has done. She also stated her belief that the city has also entered into agreements with other companies for the construction of traffic signals. She stated that United Rock has controlled dust issues, and suggested that the city work with them.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman stated that she does not agree with the formula used to determine tonnage, and suggested adding another traffic lane on Azusa Canyon Road. She also spoke against contracting out law enforcement work.

FRED BARBOSA

Fred Barbosa suggested that city staff continue working with the rock industry, giving the benefits it has provided the city. He also noted that United Rock provides monthly reports to the city.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Director Hanna requested direction from the Council, to which Councilmember Ortiz advised that he would like to have the signal built as soon as possible, and stated his preference that United Rock not exceed 1.5 million tons per year. He also requested financial reports, to which Director Hanna stated that extraction and financial reports are provided every quarter.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia requested that staff work with United Rock and do everything in its power to assist in obtaining the necessary easements for the construction of the traffic signal.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz spoke positively of United Rock as a business partner, and suggested that both parties work together to come to an agreement over the terms of permissible yearly tonnage.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola spoke highly of United Rock and noted that they are addressing the Council's concerns, and commended them for their efforts.

MOTION

A motion was made by Councilmember Ortiz, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, to direct staff to collaborate with United Rock in attempting to secure all necessary permits and easements, and for city and United Rock staff work together to clarify the permissible amounts of tonnage to be extracted at the site. The motion was unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda absent.

ITEM NO. 2B ADOPT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE POLICY

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ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER ESPINO

Assistant to the City Manager Espino presented the report and made a PowerPoint presentation.

CARMEN ROMAN, DENA ZEPEDA, AND FRED BARBOSA

Responding to questions by Carmen Roman, Dena Zepeda, and Fred Barbosa, Assistant to the City Manager Espino advised that the terms of each business' proposal would be negotiated with the city, and she further explained the schedule showing the maximum rebate available under the policy. She further elaborated that staff can negotiate for job fairs that are exclusively for residents, and noted that the city does not currently have any sales tax sharing agreements.

SUZANNE GOMEZ

Suzanne Gomez spoke in support of the proposed policy, especially if it results in incentives for residents.

FRED BARBOSA

Fred Barbosa spoke on his belief that the city has lost sales tax revenue from a local business due to the depreciated value of the businesses' property.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz spoke in support of approving the policy.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz also spoke in support of the proposed policy.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola asked a few clarifying questions, to which Assistant to the City Manager Espino responded by indicating that the policy is geared to target new businesses in order to attain sales tax revenue. She also clarified that the policy presents an opportunity for a maximum life of 20 years for the individual agreements. She reiterated that the terms of each agreement would be negotiated, and advised that an economic subsidy report would need to be completed annually should this policy be implemented.

MARGUERITE LOPEZ

Marguerite Lopez expressed concern that the city would be losing revenue by sharing sales taxes with individual companies, to which Assistant to the City Manager Espino advised that the effort is made in order to attract new businesses, and the alternative to that would be zero revenue from potential new businesses. Ms. Lopez worried that existing businesses would lose out on this opportunity.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda spoke in favor of approving the policy.

ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER ESPINO

Assistant to the City Manager Espino added that e-commerce businesses that move to Irwindale and participate in this program would guarantee that their point-of-sales would be identified as being in Irwindale, which would result in tax revenues for the city.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-08-3258 ADOPTED Resolution No. 2022-08-3258, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM," was passed, approved, and adopted, on the motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz, and unanimously approved; Councilmember Breceda absent.

ITEM NO. 2C
CONSIDERATION OF
APPOINTMENT OF
JULIAN A. MIRANDA AS
CITY MANAGER AND
APPROVAL OF CITY
MANAGER
EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT

CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF JULIAN A. MIRANDA AS CITY MANAGER AND APPROVAL OF CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

CITY MANAGER TAM

City Manager Tam presented the report.

BOBBY BONILLA

A written message was received from Bobby Bonilla, who suggested that Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz recuse himself from voting on this matter since he rents his home from Mr. Miranda's father, suggesting a potential conflict of interest.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda made various allegations of corruption and nepotism, suggested that the next City Manager be appointed for his love of the city and not just "pushed into" the position. She also complained that she "gets nothing" from living in Irwindale, and complained about a councilmember renting a home to a candidate for the City Council.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman stated her belief that the proposed pay rate for the incoming City Manager is low, and complained that the San Gabriel Valley Tribune published an article on what she perceived to be confidential information. She also complained that a councilmember rented a home to a candidate for the City Council, and welcomed the hiring of Mr. Miranda as City Manager.

CASEY MIRANDA

Casey Miranda read scriptures and applied them to Mr. Miranda, and spoke to Mr. Miranda's character and past service to the city as football coach, lifeguard, and his time on the City Council, where he worked with City Managers and City Attorneys.

FRED BARBOSA

Fred Barbosa opposed the statements made by Mr. Bonilla and stated that Mr. Miranda is not responsible for his father's business decisions.

SUZANNE GOMEZ

Suzanne Gomez stated her excitement that the Council is hiring a resident, and expressed her optimism that the City would again become what it used to be.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz appreciated the comments made, and stated his belief that Mr. Miranda is qualified and well-loved in the community, and possesses great attributes that qualify him for the City Manager position.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz stated that Mr. Miranda would be an asset since he is very knowledgeable and is seen as a role model by some residents and employees. He expressed his support of Mr. Miranda's appointment as City Manager.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

Councilmember Garcia reminded all that many had expressed their desire for full transparency when hiring and noted the suggestions to send flyers to residents to encourage applications, and that he wished this process had been done with this position so that the best-qualified applicant could be hired. He indicated he could not support the appointment of Mr. Miranda due to the lack of transparency in the process.

MAYOR BURROLA

Responding to a question by Mayor Burrola, City Manager Tam advised that the proposed contract is similar to the one he currently has. Mayor Burrola stated his belief that Mr. Miranda would perform well as City Manager due to his experience, and love of the city, community, and staff.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-10-3260 ADOPTED

Resolution No. 2022-10-3260, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRWINDALE APPOINTING CITY MANAGER AND APPROVING CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT," thereby appointing Julian A. Miranda to the position of City Manager, was passed, approved, and adopted, on the motion of Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, seconded by Councilmember Ortiz,. The motion was approved with Councilmember Ortiz, Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, and Mayor Burrola in favor, Councilmember Garcia opposed, and Councilmember Breceda absent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

DIRECTOR RODRIGUEZ

Director Rodriguez provided an update on Community Services and the recent windstorm.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz commended staff for their hard work following

the windstorm.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola thanked Public Works staff for cleaning after the

windstorm.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda thanked Director Rodriguez and Public Services staff for their help in cleanup efforts after the windstorm. She also complained that she was not treated well during a recent visit to the

Recreation Center.

AGENDA ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

ITEM NO. 5A REQUEST BY MAYOR **BURROLA TO DEVELOP** A POLICY RELATED TO NOTIFICATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL

REQUEST BY MAYOR BURROLA TO DEVELOP A POLICY RELATED TO NOTIFICATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola requested a written document, not a policy, to direct the City Manager and the Chief of Police to notify the Councilmembers, at their discretion, of "any issues that are happening." He requested that the City Attorney prepare a report and present it to the Council.

COUNCIL CONSENSUS Council consensus was reached for the City Attorney to prepare a report as Mayor Burrola requested and present it to the Council at a future meeting.

ITEM NO. 5B REQUEST BY MAYOR BURROLA TO CONSIDER ADOPTING A CURFEW POLICY

REQUEST BY MAYOR BURROLA TO CONSIDER ADOPTING A **CURFEW POLICY**

MAYOR BURROLA

Responding to a question by Mayor Burrola, City Manager Tam advised that the city does not currently have a curfew policy in place.

CITY ATTORNEY **GUERRA**

City Attorney Guerra clarified that the city's municipal code contains a section relating to loitering by minors, which stipulates that minors must be off the streets between 10 p.m. and sunrise of the next day.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola stated his desire for staff to look into whether other cities have curfew policies and report the findings to the Council for consideration at a future meeting.

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Councilmember Ortiz stated that he would be fine with checking what other cities have in place. He stated his preference that the city only impose a curfew during emergencies, and indicated that there is no need to limit the hours by which individuals can be out on the streets at night.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz said he would not mind finding out what other cities are doing.

COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA Councilmember Garcia opposed implementing a curfew, noting that the city does not need one.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman opposed curfews unless it deals with an emergency situation.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda also opposed curfews, and suggested that the city regulate what happens after certain incidents.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz suggested developing a policy for the Police to follow when they are called to address noisy gatherings. He suggested that the Police offer a warning on their first visit. If a second visit is necessary, the Police should shut down the gathering.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola clarified that he simply wants a report of curfew provisions from other cities, not that he wants to institute a curfew policy at this time. He said the matter could be discussed, and if the Council decides, a policy can be implemented.

SUZANNE GOMEZ

Suzanne Gomez supported receiving the report of what other cities have in place.

DENA ZEPEDA

Dena Zepeda asked for the City Attorney to "explain the laws for loud music."

COUNCIL CONSENSUS

Council consensus was reached for staff to prepare an informational report on curfew measures implemented by other cities for presentation to the Council.

ITEM NO. 5C
REQUEST BY
MAYOR BURROLA TO
CONSIDER SIGNAGE
ON RESIDENTIAL
STREETS RELATED
TO OVERSIZED
VEHICLES

REQUEST BY MAYOR BURROLA TO CONSIDER SIGNAGE ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS RELATED TO OVERSIZED VEHICLES

DIRECTOR HANNA

Director Hanna presented a verbal update and made a PowerPoint presentation. He spoke on the city's three-phase resurfacing plans,

and noted that staff recommends six new signs, but is open to input from the Council.

DISCUSSION HELD

Discussion was held between Mayor Burrola and Director Hanna relating to the suggested placements of the new signs as well as their reflectivity and the timing of the installations.

MAYOR BURROLA

Mayor Burrola requested that all existing signs be replaced with new signs at the locations identified by Director Hanna.

COUNCILMEMBER ORTIZ

Councilmember Ortiz concurred that the sign replacements should be done as soon as possible.

MAYOR PRO TEM AMBRIZ

Replying to a question by Mayor Pro Tem Ambriz, Director Hanna advised that general fund monies would be used to make the replacements.

CARMEN ROMAN

Carmen Roman asked whether funding for other items would be reduced in order to fund the sign replacements, and suggested purchasing all new signs now since they will probably become more expensive in the future. She also stated that larger streets probably need two signs installed instead of just one.

COUNCIL CONSENSUS Council consensus was reached to direct staff to replace existing truck prohibition signage with new reflective signs as soon as possible.

RECESS

At 10:26 p.m., the Council took a short recess.

RECONVENE

At 10:32 p.m., the Council reconvened in Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 p.m., in memory of Alice Perez and Carlos

Alvarado.

Ĺaura M. Nieto, MMC Chlef Deputy City Clerk

Approved as submitted at the meeting held February 23, 2022.